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With Mitterrand

Schmidt, Thatcher seek personal ties

LONDON, May 12 (Agencies) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Tuesday said they wanted to meet French President-elect Francois Mitterrand "as soon as possible" to establish "good personal relationships."

Mrs. Thatcher has never met the new French leader and Schmidt who had a close personal friendship with outgoing President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, who was defeated in Sunday's election, has met Mitterrand twice. At the end of the two-day six-month Anglo-German summit at Chequers, the prime minister's country residence, the two leaders said they wanted an exchange of views with Mitterrand on the major problems of foreign and European policy.

The next European summit June 30 in Luxembourg would be the first opportunity but as it falls on the eve of the probable French parliamentary elections, Mitterrand could seek a postponement.

On European questions, Schmidt and Mrs. Thatcher both agreed on the need to reform the common agricultural policy and the European Economic Community (EEC) budget. They deplored that fact that West Germany and Britain remained the biggest contributors to the budget and indicated they would demand a ceiling on their net contributions to the fund.

The two leaders also agreed the EEC resources should not pass the present one per cent of value added tax income to avoid financing extra expenditure in the agricultural sector. Schmidt said he hoped "this difficult question" will be settled in the second half of 1981.

The negotiations on reform of the common agriculture policy will be "very hard," Mrs. Thatcher said.

Addressing a joint news conference at the end of the meeting, Thatcher and Schmidt also announced they intend pressing for far-

reaching changes on the EEC's budget and farming policies. The Thatcher-Schmidt call was for a reappraisal that will reach a decision phase by the end of this year, and foreseen considerable difficulty with France's new government.

Mrs. Thatcher told reporters: "It is not the first time we have had a transfer of power in countries within the community. We are both very much looking forward to welcoming President Mitterrand to establish a warm personal relationship of the kind between Chancellor Schmidt and myself." She added that restructuring of the community budget was a major topic of the talks with Schmidt.

The West German contribution to the EEC, unless changes are made, is due to rise substantially next year from its present level of around \$2 billion. In a major victory last year, Mrs. Thatcher got Britain's contribution limited until 1982 at around \$800 million annually. But there after it is also likely to soar.

Other points made by the two leaders: — Schmidt said they welcomed the decision of the United States to begin negotiations with the Soviet Union this year on arms control and deployment of tactical nuclear weapons.

— Thatcher said they both concluded that the crisis in the Middle East cannot be solved either by the United States or the Europeans on their own.

She said "none of us can solve this alone." It is up to the United States and Europe and the countries involved to try to find a solution." Schmidt intervened to tell a questioner that West Germany considered the Palestinian Liberation Organization must acknowledge Israel's right to exist within secure boundaries while Israel must recognize the "rights of the Palestinians." He did not elaborate.

— Both leaders said the EEC was monitoring the volume of Japanese exports to Europe and would discuss the issue at next month's EEC summit in Luxembourg.

Decline of shares test to Socialist Mitterrand

PARIS, May 12 (Agencies) — The decline of shares on the Paris stock exchange and France's monetary uncertainties have turned out to be the first trial for Socialist President-elect Francois Mitterrand.

The closing market index dropped 9 per cent during the day, based on only 12 of the more than 200 issues on the market that posted transactions. Among the hardest hit stocks were those of major companies Mitterrand has said he would nationalize.

A wave of panic also has hit the French franc and the nation's goldmarket Monday. The franc dropped to the lowest point possible against the German mark and fell about 15 points against the dollar. Gold rose nearly 7 per cent as investors sought a hedge against potential financial upheavals.

A Socialist spokesman predicted the mar-

kets would stabilize soon. "Without a doubt this is a temporary situation," said Mitterrand's campaign manager Paul Quilès. "This is not like the United States where there have been regular government transitions every four years or so. This is the first major transition in France in 23 years. It's a new phenomenon."

Mitterrand will assume power within two weeks. Outgoing French Premier Raymond Barre warned that darker days may be ahead for the nation. He said he feared Mitterrand's election quickly would lead to "the deterioration of the domestic and international situation of our country."

The president-elect hopes the parliamentary vote will produce a leftist majority that will support his new programs, which include raising the minimum wage by 30 per cent, reducing the 40-hour work week to 35 hours, increasing social welfare benefits and raising pensions.

If the left fails to gain a parliamentary majority, Mitterrand will be the first president to face a hostile parliament since the French republic was constituted in its present form in 1958.

The Communists, who threw their full support for Mitterrand in Sunday's election, have reaffirmed their demands for Communist ministers in Mitterrand's cabinet.

Mitterrand has slated some of the most famous names of the French industrial and financial world to join the railroads, coal mines, public utilities, Air France and the Renault auto giant as state-owned or controlled companies.

But pushing through this program will, on one hand depend on his winning a majority in forthcoming legislative elections, and on the other, in containing his Communist allies who demand much more sweeping nationalizations.

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ABNORMAL CHILD BECOMES NORMAL: Two years old Natasha Roberts of Maine, who was born with heart, stomach and abdomen outside her body, appears to be waving to everyone as she stands with aid of nurses at Mass. General Hospital, Boston. Yesterday was her last day at hospital before going back to Maine Medical Center in Bangor. She underwent surgery four days after birth to replace organs, then was transferred to MGH for treatment of respiratory problems. She now breathes through a tube in her neck attached to a respirator and behaves like a barrel of monkeys.

(Wire photo)

Over party leadership

Giscard, Chirac rift surfaces

PARIS, May 12 (AFP) — There is an open clash between outgoing President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac over who will lead the right in the forthcoming National Assembly general elections. President-elect Francois Mitterrand said last week before his victory that his first move in office would be to dissolve the National Assembly, where there is a large Conservative majority, and hold immediate general elections.

There was no doubt that Giscard d'Estaing and Chirac have decided to fight over which of them will head the opposition forces into election battle. The mass circulation evening newspaper *France-Soir* Tuesday headlined its front page "The new Giscard-Chirac duel".

The quarrel came into the open Monday night when Giscard d'Estaing strongly denounced what he termed "premeditated treason" of Gaullists who Sunday voted for Mitterrand. Gaullists claimed that the defection of Gaullist voters caused the defeat of their leader, as well as the acid remarks about Giscard d'Estaing made by Chirac when he was campaigning as a first round presidential candidate.

The evening newspaper *Le Monde* reported in its analysis of the votes that Mitterrand could only have won with Gaullist support.

There is no doubt that Gaullists are furious over the lukewarm backing that Chirac and other leading Gaullists gave the president in the two-week second-round campaign.

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Soviet threat growing, NATO says

BRUSSELS, May 12 (Agencies) — The United States has asked its European allies to allow it to ferry troops and equipment through their territories in an emergency in the Gulf, the chairman of NATO's military committee said Tuesday. Admiral Robert Falls of Canada said he did not know whether requests for overflight rights and stop-over facilities for the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force (RDF) would require a formal agreement or just a tacit understanding.

Support by other NATO countries for U.S. efforts to defend the West's interests was discussed as 14 NATO defense ministers began a two-day meeting to plan force levels needed to meet a Soviet threat.

Falls, told a new conference he did not think it was necessary to create a multinational NATO task force for emergencies in South-West Asia. This seemed impractical as the same results could be achieved by bilateral cooperation between the United States and its allies.

Beirut airport to open

Begin, Klaauw hold stormy discussions

TEL AVIV, May 12 (AP) — Dutch Foreign Minister Christopher Van der Klaauw met Tuesday with Prime Minister Menahem Begin and according to Israel radio he came away angry and shut-mouthed because Begin attacked Western Europe's Middle East peace proposals.

Van der Klaauw refused to talk to reporters after the hour-long meeting and stalked away to his limousine. Begin said he had rejected the peace initiatives which Klaauw raised in his role as chairman of the foreign ministers of the European Economic Community (EEC).

"Why does the European community take the liberty to tell us how we should arrange the security of our people?" Begin said. He told reporters that the castigated Klaauw, for meeting with Yasser Arafat chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

Begin said that his harsh words were directed at Klaauw in his role of EEC envoy, not of Dutch foreign minister.

According to Begin, Klaauw said Europe had a strong interest in Mideast peace, and therefore needed contact with Arafat as well as other Arab leaders.

Israel radio reported that Begin told Klaauw he believed his offer of self-rule for Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip was "more generous" than what France is giving the Corsicans. He referred to the Mediterranean island where separatist movements are fighting to end French domination.

Klaauw sought to assure Begin that the Europeans were not trying to dictate to Israel what to do, but Begin replied that nevertheless the EEC was urging Israel to talk to its arch-foe, the PLO.

Habib Extends Stay

But United States special envoy Philip Habib decided Tuesday to extend his stay in Israel after holding a further round of talks with Begin on Lebanon. The two men refused to say what transpired at the 50-minute meeting. American officials said Habib, who originally planned to leave Israel Tuesday, would stay until Wednesday at least.

There was no indication whether any progress had been made in American efforts to avert an Israeli military attack against the SAM-6 ground-to-air missiles which Syria stationed in Lebanon two weeks ago.

Habib arrived in Israel Monday after visiting Beirut and Damascus. Begin and other Israeli leaders have made clear there will be an attack on the missiles if the peace mission fails.

The only engagement scheduled for the American envoy Wednesday is a breakfast meeting with Shimon Peres, leader of the opposition Labor Party. After that his program was uncertain.

American officials said they did not know

whether Habib would meet other Israeli leaders, whether he would stay on here or where he would go if he departed. Diplomats believed that as long as Habib remained on Israeli soil Begin would refrain from ordering Israeli forces into action.

Begin told the Knesset (parliament) Monday night that he had ordered Israeli planes to attack the Syrian missiles on April 30 but that bad weather had stopped this.

Missiles Fired

However, anti-aircraft missile batteries in East Lebanon's Bekaa Valley fired at high-flying Israeli jets over the region at daybreak Tuesday, but none was hit, eyewitnesses reported.

In Tel Aviv, the military command had no comment. There was no immediate comment from Syrian officials in Damascus. But the rightist "Voice of Lebanon" radio said the Syrians fired SAM at the Israeli jets but did not hit them. Lebanese citizens reaching Chitwa, in Central Lebanon, said they saw two SAM-6s blast off from half-track vehicles three kms south of the Lebanese border airfield of Rakk into the clear, blue sky toward Beirut Airport.

Meanwhile, Beirut's international Airport will reopen to traffic Wednesday, the head of Lebanon's Middle East Airlines, Asaad Nasr, announced in Beirut Tuesday. Airline traffic in and out of Beirut airport was halted three weeks ago after the airport vicinity came under artillery fire.

In Damascus, Syria warned Israel Tuesday

(Continued on back page)

King meets 2 ministers

RIYADH, May 12 (SPA) — King Khalid Tuesday separately received Djibouti Foreign Minister Moumin Bahdoum and Chinese Communications Minister Chin-sheng Lin.

Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal attended the meeting between the King and the Djibouti minister.

Minister Bahdoum arrived here earlier Tuesday on a short visit to the Kingdom. Prince Saud and Communications Minister Sheikh Hussein Mansouri also attended the meeting between the King and the minister of nationalist China. Minister Lin later Tuesday paid a visit to King Faisal specialized Hospital here.

The Chinese Minister arrived in the Kingdom Saturday on a week-long visit. He has held talks with Sheikh Mansouri on promoting bilateral relations and the participation of Chinese companies in the Kingdom's development projects.

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S. Korea, Kingdom discuss oil supplies

By Adnan Sadig
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, May 12—Saudi Arabian and South Korean officials discussed a Korean request for increasing oil exports to that country, but no agreement has been reached, according to a top Korean official.

South Korean Interior Minister Suh Chung Wha told *Arab News* Tuesday that Saudi Arabia is studying the issue of oil supplies to South Korea. The minister was to depart Riyadh Tuesday after a four-day visit. Wha said his country suffers a shortage in oil supplies, but is able to overcome the deficiency.

Wha also held talks with Petroleum and Minerals Minister Ahmed Zaki Yamani Monday—among other top officials he met during his visit. His talks concentrated on cooperation in petroleum affairs and bilateral relations.

The Korean minister was seen-off by Interior Minister Prince Naif, Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad, Deputy Interior Minister Dr. Ibrahim Al-Awaj and other senior officials. Wha was received by King Khaled and held extensive talks with Prince Naif during his stay.

Wha denied rumors that most of the



GIFT: Interior Minister Prince Naif (right) and S. Korean Interior Minister Suh Chung Wha exchange gifts during the minister's visit.

South Korean workers in the Kingdom are under military service. "These are fabrications by foreign media intended to strain Saudi-Korean relations," Wha said. The government has no knowledge of such actions and workers recruited by Korean companies operating in the Kingdom or other countries in the region are selected through media advertisements as in any other country, he said.

"As a result of the increased demand on Korean manpower, the country is now facing a shortage in skilled workers since they have gone abroad to work in friendly countries," Wha added. The government is proud of the Korean workers' reputation. "Saudi Arabian officials confirmed that the Koreans are hard-workers and honest," he said.

U.S. treasury secretary visit nears

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan will visit four Middle Eastern countries, including Saudi Arabia, to discuss energy and other economic issues in a week-long trip beginning Friday, department officials said Monday.

Regan will attend a meeting of the U.S.-Saudi Arabian joint commission on economic cooperation at Riyadh Friday, the department said in a news release. Regan is co-chairman of the commission. The treasury secretary will also meet with senior officials of the Saudi Arabian government before flying to Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates next Monday and Tuesday "to make official contacts with the leaders of these two Gulf

states and to exchange views on economic issues," the release said.

Regan will then travel to Libreville, Gabon, remaining there Wednesday through Friday, as head of the U.S. delegation to meetings of the interim and development committees on the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Officials accompanying him to the four nations will include his undersecretary for monetary affairs, Beryl Sprinkel, and his assistant secretary for international affairs Marc E. Leland, the release said. It said, "Financial, energy and global economic matters will be the focus of the discussions in each of these countries."

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Ahsa irrigation project to be reviewed

By agriculture minister

AHSA, May 12 (SPA)—Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh is to preside over a meeting Wednesday for the committee entrusted with Ahsa's irrigation and drainage project. High on the agenda is the development of agricultural methods and the committee's budget and new projects.

Dr. Al-Sheikh also chaired a meeting of the National Agricultural Development Company's Board Monday. The board was meeting for the first time and the agriculture and water minister is its chairman.

The board decided to make the Hardi agricultural production project the company's first venture. It also approved executive programs for wheat and fodder harvests for the next season. The board reviewed possibilities of establishing agricultural projects in various parts of the Kingdom and commissioning the company to coordinate with the Ministry of Agriculture and Water to invest in agricultural production through various crops.

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FROM THE GULF

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM)—Naser Al-Nuwaies, the managing director of the Abu Dhabi Fund for Economic Development (ADFAED) and a member of the board of directors of the Gulf Air Company left here Tuesday for Manama to participate in the meetings of the Gulf Air board due to start there.

During the meeting, the board will discuss the company's budget for 1981 and the possibility of the company's support by its member states.

It will also review issues relating to the ratification of the board's previous meetings minutes. Gulf Air Company is jointly owned by the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM)—Moroccan minister of information, Abdul Wahid Balqaziz left here Tuesday for Doha, Qatar, wrapping up a visit to the UAE during which he delivered a written message to President Sheikh Zayed from King Hassan II of Morocco dealing with bilateral relations and means of enhancing them as well as the view of Morocco, regarding the western Sahara.

Balgaziz, who arrived in Abu Dhabi last Sunday, as part of a tour of several states in the region, was seen off at the airport by a number of senior officials at the Ministry of Information and Culture and Al Maki Kuwan, Moroccan charge d'affaires in the country.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM) Tuesday a seven-member trade delegation from Bangladesh arrived here Tuesday on a visit of four-days for talks with UAE officials at

chambers of commerce and businessmen on promoting bilateral trade co-operation.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM)—United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan received here Tuesday Edmund Muskie, former U.S. Secretary of State who is currently on a visit to the UAE.

The meeting was attended by Ahmed Khalifa Al-Suwaidi, the president's representative.

Sultan attends naval graduation

DAMMAM, May 12 (SPA)—Defense Minister Prince Sultan Tuesday attended the graduation ceremony of a class of academic and technical officers at the Naval Technical Studies Institute here.

The class of 100 officers included 13 who attended a 13-week course. The rest spent three years studying marine sciences, military skills and marine arts.

The ceremony was attended by Sheikh Turki Al-Otayshan, deputy governor of the Eastern Province; Maj. Gen. Yusouf Al-Bouri, the province commander; Navy Brig. Muhammad Oon Sharaf Al-Barakati, commander of the naval forces; and other senior officers as well as the cadets' parents and guardians.

Prince Sultan also watched a military parade and a display of skills and reviewed a cad guard of honor by the cadets. He was also shown the equipment on which the cadets are trained for welding, ship repair and maintenance, mines and mine sweeping, and wireless communications.

He congratulated the cadets on behalf of King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd and urged them to stick to their faith while defending their country. He told them that henceforth they are the soldiers of Islam in every spot of the world. He also urged other Saudi youths to join the armed forces.

Prince Sultan said that a naval academy is planned in Jubail and the institute will supply it with the necessary manpower. He further said that within the few coming months the foundation stone will be laid for the fourth military cantonment in the Eastern Province, west of Dharan. At noon, the prince attended a luncheon given in his honor in the institute.

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Prince Majed
Majed visits center for blind

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA)—Makkah Governor Prince Majed Monday evening attended the annual closing ceremony of the activities of Al-Amal institute for blind girls. He was met on arrival by Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid, director general of education for the Western Province; and other officials.

The prince toured the institute and a plastic arts exhibition organized for the occasion. He also witnessed its artistic and technical activities. The supervisor of the institute expressed her gratitude to King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd for their genuine efforts and continuous assistance to the institute. She also thanked Prince Majed and the attendance for honoring the institute with their presence.

Children presented several plays and chanted national songs as part of the ceremony. Taking the floor, Prince Majed said he was impressed with what he had seen. He expressed his appreciation to Dr. Zaid and hoped the staff and students of the institute further success.

Palestine Week set

MAKKAH, May 12 (SPA)—Makkah's Ummul Qura University will organize the Palestine Week as of Sunday in cooperation with the Popular Committee for the Welfare of Palestinian Martyrs and Fighters' families.

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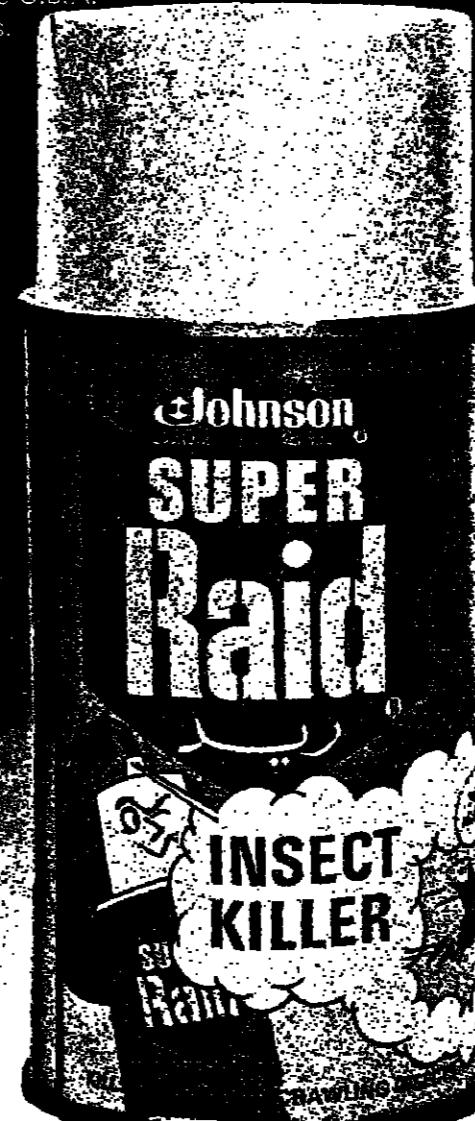
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Kingdom chosen for world labor council

By Adnan Sadeq
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, May 12 — Saudi Arabia was chosen to be a member of the Advisory Council of the International Labor Studies Institute in Geneva, which is an offshoot of the 142-member International Labor Organization.

The Kingdom was chosen because of the role it plays as a leader in the Islamic world. Representatives of Western countries in the institute realized they are facing a desperate situation since their intellectuals are unable to face the prevailing Western trends that undermine all values and beliefs," said Dr. Yassin Saleh Underqiri, Saudi Arabia's assistant undersecretary for labor and social affairs.

Underqiri also is the Kingdom's representative to the council and board chairman of the Technical and Vocational Training and Research Center for Islamic countries.

Council members thought Islam and Muslim thinking would be the best safeguard against such devastating (Western) currents, hence their invitation to Saudi Arabia to become a member, Underqiri added.

The council is made up of five members from among prominent economists, educationists and labor experts appointed by consultation with the United Nations secretary general, UNESCO's director general, and the head of the ILO. They work with members of the institute's board of trustees representing the ILO's administrative council.

The ILO groups government representatives, business owners and representatives of workers. The institute plays a major part in orienting labor and social policy studies and research through publications and mass media. It also greatly influences the ILO's agreements and recommendations which regulates socio-economic affairs the world over.

The council holds several meetings a year in Geneva and the coming session will be at the end of May. The selection of Saudi Arabia was based on the council's weighing of colonialism in world history, Underqiri said. "They found that Islamic communities resisted all kinds of ideologies and trends for hundreds of years as a result of their attachment to Islam, thus preserving their identity and values," the official added.

Dr. Underqiri told *Arab News* he will always seek the help of Islamic universities and scholars to shed light on and disseminate Islamic thoughts and values at the council and through it. Islamic economic and social values will, God willing, play a great part in bringing about peace and prosperity to man-kind, he said.

He pointed out that, aware of the importance of the institute, Saudi Arabia already gave it a substantial donation and will continue its assistance.

He also said that at the council's coming meeting this month, Saudi Arabia will propose holding seminars and the organization of training courses as well as the publication of Islamic socio-economic research works on labor.

Such works will pinpoint the major aspects of Islamic Sharia Laws governing work, economy and development. Islam soon will occupy its natural place everywhere on earth, Underqiri said.

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Jeddah Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi met with Dr. Abdul Majeed Daghestani, head of the Jeddah projects scientific coordination committee, Tuesday. They discussed the latest developments in the city's projects in the light of the Municipality budget this year.

Jeddah municipality was allocated SR3.851 billion. The meeting was attended by representatives of international companies involved in Jeddah's projects and concerned government departments.

Credentials presented

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Deputy Foreign Minister Abdul Aziz Al-Thunayan separately received the new Philippines Ambassador Benjamin T. Romualdez and Italian Ambassador Marcello Salfi Tuesday. The two ambassadors presented a copy of their credentials. They will be received by King Khaled to present their credentials formally.



ATTENTIVE: Dr. Yassin Saleh Underqiri (second from left) listens to discussions during a recent meeting of the Advisory Council of the International Labor Studies Institute in Geneva.

COMMENT

By Capt. Muhammad Abu Ashi
Okaz

It's painful to see the younger generation falling victim to a reliance on others and to weak and superficial thoughts on matters of life. Whenever I exchange views with others on this phenomenon, I feel the future of today's youth is not very secure.

As I understand, a serious care for the child's future starts in the early stages of his life. As time goes on, this concern increases and crystallizes into aims and objectives, determining what practical steps he will take toward conscious service to his society.

But, it is generally noticed that our children have developed a tendency to consider the future as a means which can be achieved by a big leap forward, using the easiest methods regardless of whether they are at all effective. It is seldom that we find our children showing concern for serious matters, and many of their questions are invariably flat and superficial.

Quite frequently have I passed by my children by Jeddah's desalination plant, but I don't remember any of them having ever asked me any question about the plant or the process of conversion of saline water into drinking water. If, at all, they were interested in anything, it was the model of cars, the beautiful beach and so on.

The reason behind this tendency seems to be that we have not oriented our youth to think of fruitful matters. A proper education and enlightenment, in my view, must start from the house and our educational program ought to be solid enough to guide the young generation on what they should or should not do. We ought to consider all these matters and think seriously about the systems that govern our life, so that the concept of university education is never confined to obtaining comfortable jobs.

West defends AWACS sale during speech

By Cynthia Shanley
Houston Bureau

SAN FRANCISCO, California, May 12 — John C. West, former United States ambassador to Saudi Arabia, expressed his concern over what he called the "shortsightedness" of those people who say Saudi Arabia does not need AWACS.

As a participant in a panel discussion on "American Strategic Interest in the Middle East" at the ninth annual National Arab-American Association at the St. Francis Hotel, West said, "The oil fields of Saudi Arabia are very vulnerable to potential attacks, bombs and sabotage." He suggested that a single bomb, properly placed, could wreck the United States' and possibly the entire world's economy.

If the AWACS sale falls through, there will be a series loss of U.S. credibility, West predicted. And the Saudi Arabians will look elsewhere as they already have shown with their recent purchase of military equipment from France, he added.

But the worst thing that could happen would be to prove that a foreign government (Israel) has veto power over the foreign policy of the United States," the former ambassador said.

The ambassador's remarks drew a round of applause from the NAAA audience. The NAAA strongly supports the Reagan Administration's decision to seal air defense equipment to the Kingdom.

In a major position paper released May 7, the NAAA said President Reagan should be given "full support" for his decision to sell supplemental air defense equipment in the form of add-on items for Saudi Arabia's fleet of F-15s, aerial tankers and AWACS (Airborne Warning and Command System Aircraft).

The NAAA defended its position by saying the sale would strengthen American national interest by meeting the legitimate needs of a major friend and trading partner in the Middle East. The group added that the sale adds to U.S. strategic ability to defend against potential Soviet threats.

Along with former ambassador West, other distinguished guests and speakers from around the world participated in the NAAA convention. The speakers included former U.S. ambassador to Qatar Andrew Kilgor; Alan Goult, first secretary from Great Britain's embassy; Dr. Hatem Hussaini, director of the Palestine information office; Ambassador Ali Hadid of Tunisia; and dean of the Arab ambassadors to the United States, Dr. Clovis Maksoud.

The third day of convention activities was highlighted by an afternoon of panel discussion and presentations covering a wide range of contemporary issues.



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Youths urged to honor traditions

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The statement was made during a dialogue organized by Makkah's literary club during which he also dealt with the traditional respect of a person's neighbor and marriage problems. Mayor Abdul Qader Koshak and other notables also were present.

To explore foundry market

Pakistan official plans visit

JEPPDAH, May 12 — A top executive of Pakistan's biggest heavy foundry and forge complex will arrive in the Kingdom soon to explore marketing prospects for the products of the state-owned concern, the Pakistan embassy reported Tuesday.

The embassy told *Arab News* that Chaudhry Nasir Elahi, who heads the sales and marketing division of the complex, will stay in the Kingdom for several days. He will visit the business centers of Riyadh, Jeddah and Dammam.

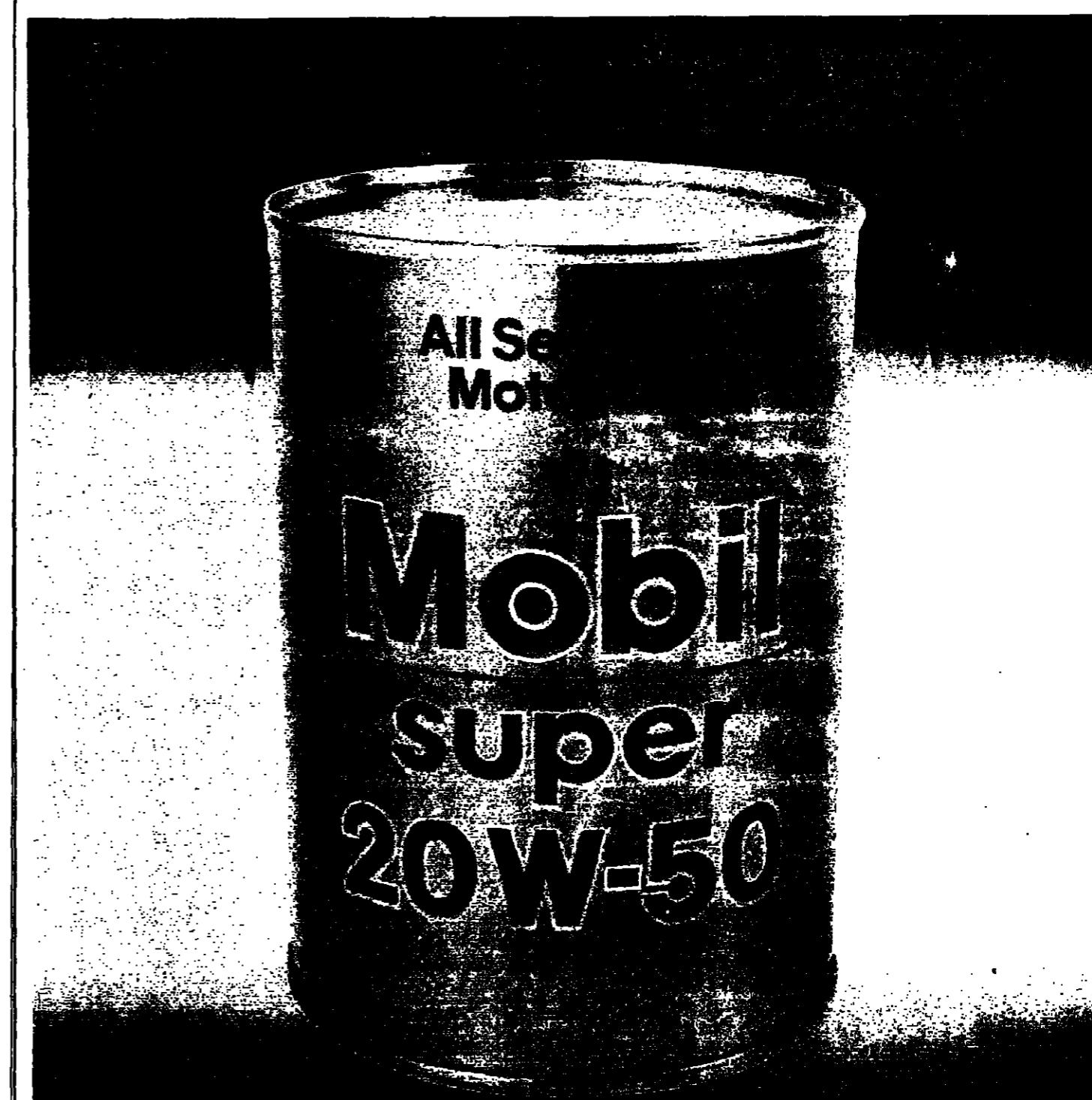
The businessman specifically will explore prospects for the marketing of lanning plates, grinding media and forgings and castings for cement factories, crushing rolls and other parts of sugar mills, the embassy said.

Chaudhry will hold meetings with businessmen and importers and will negotiate business deals.

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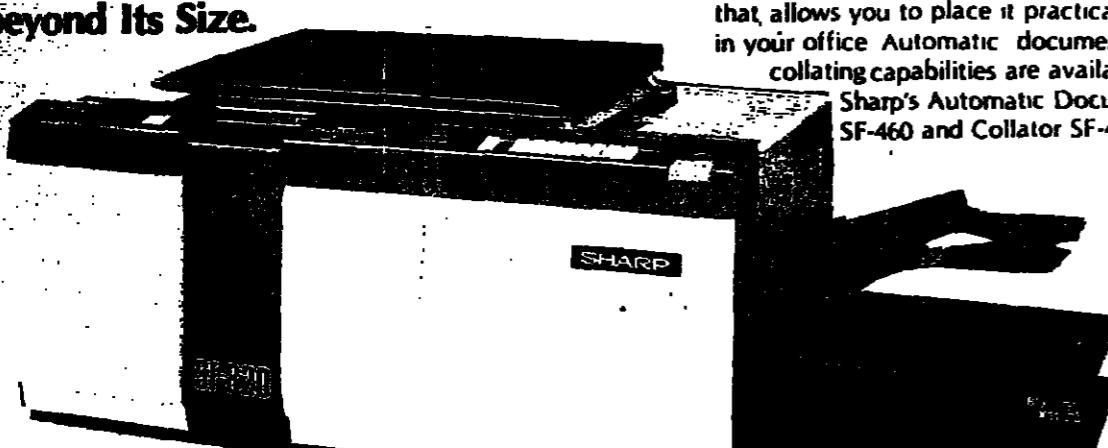
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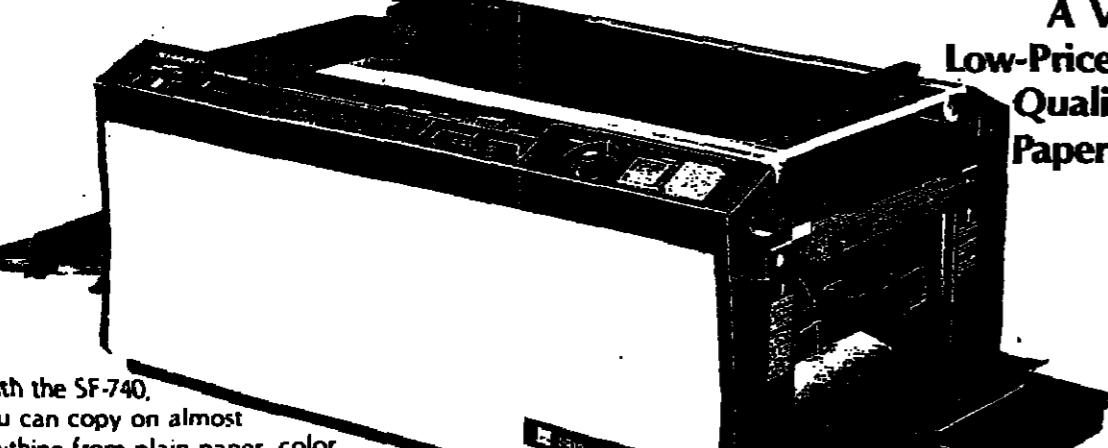
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Under Mitterrand

French-Israeli ties may undergo changes

PARIS, May 12 (R) — French President-elect Francois Mitterrand is widely believed to want big changes in relations with Israel, deteriorating since 1967.

Mitterrand, considered one of France's most pro-Israeli politicians, said in his campaign he wanted to redress what he sees as a pro-Arab stance. The election of Socialist Mitterrand Sunday over the conservative incumbent Valery Giscard d'Estaing was greeted warmly by both Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin and opposition leader Shimon Peres. Mitterrand has visited Israel five times in the past decade and said last week he hoped to be invited very soon as president.

He indicated that he would halt enriched uranium supplies to an atomic research reactor in Iraq, saying they might be used for military purposes. Mitterrand condemned what he called the imbalance created by French arms sales to Arab states, and seemed to imply that France could again become a major weapons supplier to Israel.

It is not enough to recognize the right to existence of a country if one refuses that country the means to guarantee such rights," he said.

France imposed an arms embargo on all Middle East/Eastern countries during the 1967 war there, but it mainly affected Israel. It has since been lifted, but the United States has replaced France as Israel's main arms supplier.

However, Mitterrand believes a Palestinian state needs to be created eventually. Giscard, a prime mover of the European Common Market's Middle East peace feelers, believed Israel's security should be internationally guaranteed, possibly by deploying an international force on its frontiers.

Mitterrand believes all attempts at Middle East peace must stem from Israel being able to ensure its own security. Mitterrand has given no indication of how he would deal with Arab reprisals against an about-face in French policy. More than 75 per cent of France's oil supplies come from Arab states, which are also big customers for French goods and services.

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Klibi meets Honecker

EAST BERLIN, May 12 (R) — Arab League Secretary-General Chedli Klibi met east German leader Erich Honecker Monday to discuss East Berlin's links with the Arab world.

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PLO labels Allen's remarks 'idiotic'

BEIRUT, May 12 (AP) — The Palestine Liberation Organization labeled remarks made by U.S. National Security Adviser Richard Allen as "idiotic" and described the current U.S. administration as "the worst yet," the Palestinian News Agency Wafa reported Tuesday.

The statements made by U.S. National Security Adviser Richard Allen on Lebanon and the situation in the area and on the U.S. President's view of the PLO are "idiotic,"

Greek fishing boat seized by Turkey

ANKARA, May 12 (AP) — The Turkish Coast Guard seized a Greek fishing boat near the Greek island of Misiini after it allegedly entered Turkish territorial waters without permission, the foreign ministry announced Tuesday.

The crew of the boat, seized late Sunday on a cruise from the Greek port city of Alexandroupolis, was in custody and would be tried soon. A demand by the Greek Embassy in Ankara that the boat and crew be freed has been rejected.

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Correcting distortions

ABC to telecast new feature on M.E.

By Bob Lebling
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 12 — The major American television network ABC has agreed to take corrective action in a bid to repair the damage caused by an anti-Arab TV program telecast last month after hearing complaints from a number of Arab-American groups.

The program, a news report entitled "The Unholy War" broadcast April 2 in ABC's "20/20" series, was anti-Arab and pro-Israeli and sparked a wave of protests from Arab-American organizations and

individuals. The program focused on "Arab terrorism" and portrayed the Palestine Liberation movement as a puppet of the Soviet Union.

The Association of Arab-American University Graduates (AAUG) which arranged the meeting between "20/20" producers and representatives of the Arab community in the U.S. described the program as perhaps the most destructive one on the Middle East ever shown on American television. AAUG President Khalil Nakhléh, along with representatives of the Palestine Congress of North America and the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee met April 29 with "20/20"

For ouster of Amin

Russians not responsible, claims Karmal

with Kabul.

The events of December, 1979, prompted Washington to accuse the Soviet Union of invading Afghanistan. Former President Jimmy Carter asked other countries to join in boycotting the Moscow Olympics and embargoed new shipments of grain to the Soviet Union. The embargo was lifted last month. Speaking at a medal-awarding ceremony, Karmal said Afghanistan's April revolution, as the Marxist takeover in April, 1978, is officially described, "is irreversible and unvanquishable, with support of our armed forces and the backing of the Soviet Union, our true and great friend."

Meanwhile, in Moscow, the Soviet Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* said Tuesday that the West's "undeclared war" against Afghanistan was entering a more dangerous phase. A commentary in the Kremlin daily accused the United States and other Western countries of preventing a political solution of the Afghan question, and of exerting pressure on Pakistan to halt tentative contacts

Sadat most admired by Americans

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is the foreign leader most admired by American leadership, according to the result of a survey published Monday by the weekly magazine U.S.

BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (AP) — An opinion published Tuesday said Prime Minister Menachem Begin's lead over Labor Party contender Shimon Peres in the popularity ratings has risen dramatically in the past month with the approach of general elections June 30.

KUALA LUMPUR, (AP) — The director general of the education ministry has asked the grand Sheikh of the Al-Azhar University in Cairo, Dr. Muhammad Abdul Rahman Bissar, to help Malaysia in the training of Arabic teachers.

BRUSSELS, (AP) — The European Economic Community (EEC) Commission announced Tuesday it has granted \$240,500 in emergency aid to Somalia where heavy rains have isolated several villages and refugee camps.

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Morocco may seek more U.S. arms

WASHINGTON, May 12 (R) — Morocco Foreign Minister Mhamad Boucetta, who has said Morocco may have to seek more weapons from the United States.

Boucetta met Secretary of State Alexander Haig Monday and said later that while he made no new weapons requests, "we'll as for them if we need them to defend our own country." He said Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi had sent bands of subversives or missions of aggression in northern Africa creating what could become a very grave situation.

The Moroccan foreign minister said he brought a message for President Reagan from King Hassan II about adverse trends in northern Africa and particularly Col. Qaddafi's policies. "We would like to see first of all an awareness of the danger which poses serious and direct threat to us," Boucetta said.

In January, the Reagan administration approved the sale of 108 M60 tanks to Morocco, and later said future arms delivery would not be held up solely because of Morocco's fight against Algerian-supported Polisario fighters Western Sahara.

It may be recalled that the United States has asked all Libyan diplomats to leave the country May 7 because of Libyan support of terrorism. American-Libyan relations have touched the lowest ebb, according to observers.

Khomeini tells rebels to give up arms before talk

BEIRUT, May 12 (AP) — Iran's leader Ayatollah Khomeini has said he is willing to speak to the Marxist-oriented Islamic organization if they laid down their arms, Iranian official Pars News Agency reported.

Khomeini made this statement during meeting he held with a number of ulema (religious leaders) and clergies from the eastern and western provinces of Azerbaijan and northwestern Iran, the agency said. Khomeini said the "unclean hands and decadent groups" were most active against the clerics and the Islamic Republic and that the "poison is thickest in Azerbaijan," Tehran radio reported.

Referring to a recent request made by the Mujahedeen people's organization to meet him, Khomeini said if there were one in thousand possibility of laying down the arms, he would go himself and talk to them. Pars said.

"If you lay down your arms and return the assets belonging to the public treasury, then we will talk with each other, not only once but many times," Pars quoted Khomeini as saying.

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Costa Rica breaks relations with Cuba

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, May 12 (AP) — Costa Rica has broken diplomatic relations with Cuba because of the wording of a Cuban communication to the United Nations, Foreign Minister Bernd Niehaus said.

The Foreign Ministry released a communiqué Monday saying the break in relations was in response to the "offensive tone" used by Cuban officials in reaction to a letter the Costa Rican government had sent U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim about political prisoners in Cuba.

Niehaus said Costa Rica had protested the alleged mistreatment of political prisoners in Cuba before the U.N. Human Rights Commission on Dec. 9, 1980, and that in response Cuba had accused Costa Rica of joining a "counterrevolutionary campaign against Cuba organized by the imperialist government of the United States."

In a letter to the United Nations dated Dec. 30, 1980, which was only recently made available to the Costa Rican government, the charge d'affaires of the Cuban U.N. mission,

UNICEF needs more funds

Number of poor kids rising

UNITED NATIONS, May 12 (AP) — The head of the U.N. Children's Fund asked his executive board for more money Monday on the grounds that the number of desperately poor children in the world is on the increase.

"The global economic crisis combining recession with inflation in most countries appears to have settled in for at least the early and possibly the mid-1980s," said Executive Director James P. Grant. "For the first time in many years the absolute numbers of children living in abject poverty is rising significantly."

Plot to kill Indira alleged

NEW DELHI, May 12 (Agencies) — Indian Home Affairs Minister Zail Singh was quoted Monday as saying that "some disgruntled opposition elements" in the country were plotting to kill Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Singh told the United News of India (UNI) at Chandigarh in northern India that discontents politicians, who were aware that they could not unseat Mrs. Gandhi in elections, were behind attempts on the 63-year-old leader's life. He did not, however, identify those whom he accused of plotting against Mrs. Gandhi. He told UNI that his ministry has taken "adequate security steps" to safeguard the "precious life" of the Prime Minister.

Mrs. Gandhi, currently in the United Arab Emirates, left for a three-nation tour last Tuesday. The Indian parliament was told April 27 that saboteurs prior to April 20 damaged vital control systems of a jetliner earmarked to fly her two weeks later on the foreign tour.

Singh earlier told parliament in New Delhi that the "possibility of a foreign hand" in the sabotage of the plane was among matters under consideration. In April, 1980, a young man, Ram Lalwani, was arrested in New Delhi for hurling a spring knife at Mrs. Gandhi that missed her. The man was charged with attempted murder and the case is still pending.

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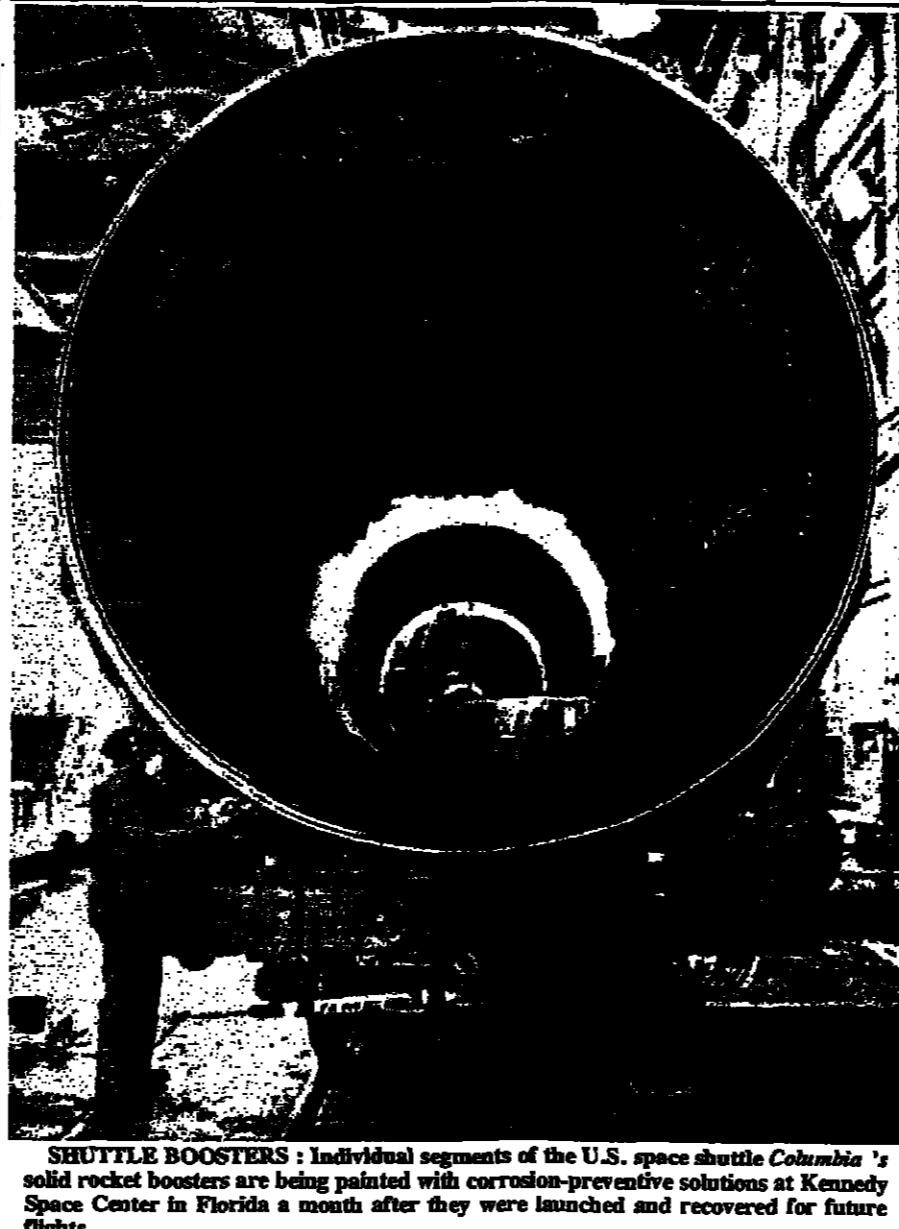
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Mitterrand against penalty French may escape guillotine

PARIS, May 12 (AP) — Five convicted French murderers, sentenced to death, are almost certain to escape the guillotine and be given life imprisonment. For president-elect Francois Mitterrand is a fervent opponent of capital punishment.

On March 16 he said in a television interview: "In the depth of my conscience, I am against the death penalty." He added: "... Most French people support it. Well, I am a candidate for the presidency and I can say what I think — my spiritual options, my beliefs and my care for civilization are against the death penalty."

France is the only European country which has a death penalty and carries it out, although more and more rarely in the past 10 years.

Nairobi plot accused declared mentally ill

NAIROBI, Kenya, May 12 (AP) — A Nairobi businessman accused of plotting to overthrow President Daniel Arap Moi has been declared mentally ill by two psychiatrists, his attorney has disclosed. Attorney Brian Georgiadis revealed the results of the psychiatric examinations during cross-examination of a prosecution witness at the treason trial of businessman Andrew Muthembu.

Georgiadis told high court judge Alfred Simpson Monday that details of the psychiatric examinations would be disclosed when the defense presents its case, possibly later this week or next week. Muthembu, 45, faces a mandatory death sentence if convicted.

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'Biggest scandal'

Freemason probe casts shadow over top Italians

ROME, May 12 (AFP) — The investigation against a Freemason's lodge is casting a darkening shadow over some of the country's leading citizens in a probe that has put the whole of Italian freemasonry under suspicion.

With the grand master and deputy of one lodge charged with "associating with criminals", the probe has now pulled in a former senior prosecutor and a former secret service chief for their alleged involvement in what the weekly magazine *Espresso* describes as "the biggest scandal in the history of the Italian republic."

There are about 18,000 Freemasons in Italy, organized in 500 lodges, but the P-2 (Propaganda-2) lodge in Rome is the main target of police charges and press attacks. This lodge has about 800 members, many of them ministers and generals or holding influential political, diplomatic, industrial and financial posts.

The lodge is accused of being "a center of occult power" by magistrates investigating its activities, according to the press. The magistrates are thinking of sending a special initial report on P-2 to President Sandro Pertini.

BRIEFS

MIAMI, Florida, (AFP) — Bob Marley, 36, noted Jamaican music star, died here Monday of cancer, it was announced at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital. The son of a British army officer and a Jamaican woman, he founded a highly popular group of musicians, the Wailers, in 1964.

THE HAGUE, (AFP) — The Netherlands Monday downgraded its embassy in Peking to a "bureau of charge d'affaires" in complying with a Chinese government demand. The move follows a dispute between the two countries over the Netherlands' decision to sell two submarines to the Republic of China.

RANGOON, Burma, (AP) — Some 35,000 persons were left homeless in a fire Monday which killed five and ravaged a large section of Mandalay, northern Burma, officials reported Tuesday. The fire was put under control after several hours. Property

loss was put at about \$10 million.

CANNES, France, (R) — Nearly 60,000 film industry professionals from around the world are expected in this French Riviera resort for the 34th Cannes film festival which opens Wednesday. Some 500 films will be shown during the next two weeks, including competition for the Golden Palm which is awarded by a nine-man jury presided over this year by French film director Jacques Deray.

KATHMANDU, Nepal, (AP) — Prime Minister Surya Bahadur Thapa was elected to the new 111-member national assembly by an overwhelming majority in his Dhankuta constituency in east Nepal, election officer declared Monday. Vote-counting is underway in this Himalayan kingdom's first popular election in a generation for the non-partisan national assembly.

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Spicy food—the delightful flavorings of the East

By Kathy Land

JEDDAH. — When intrepid European explorers set sail centuries ago for the exotic East it was a significant moment for later generations of gourmets. For among the rich prizes of those early forays into the unknown were the delightful flavorings of the East.

Ginger, coriander, cardamom, nutmeg, pepper — all these spices (and many more) were to burst onto taste buds accustomed previously to the scantiest of seasonings. The cold of Europe and the British Isles could not equal the tropical richness which produced the extraordinary array of spices which gave local cuisines such distinction.

The spices were known. The very early caravans that had followed the trade routes across Arabia carrying the riches of the East, which had been brought from such places as India by ship to ports like Aden, carried amongst their precious cargos the much sought after spices. These were to enrich the dishes of the region, but only limited amounts reached further West.

It was a craving for the flavoring quality — and also (very importantly in the days before refrigeration) the preservative quality — of these spices that spurred early explorers on to find the sea routes to the East. The success of their missions can be seen today in the world-wide passion for spicy food. Indeed, Jeddah would be representative of any international city with its array of Asian restaurants. With the greatest of ease one can enjoy all the flavors of Indonesia, the Philippines, Malaysia and, of course, the Indian sub-continent.

Perhaps more than any other in the region the cuisine of India and Pakistan has captivated the imaginations of food faddists around the world. Curry, with all its spicy accompaniments, has become as common place to Europeans, Americans, Japanese and others as any of their own local dishes. But unfortunately, all too often curry is equated with being very hot. The subtle blend of spices that characterizes the various styles of curry has often been lost in the translation.

"Of course, some curries are very hot," says Aysha Mueen, "but just as often they are not." Aysha, from Pakistan, represents her country at Gourmet International and points out that while Pakistani and Indian dishes are closely related, there are also regional differences.

"Generally, Pakistani curries are not as hot as Indian curries, and certainly not all Indian curries are hot. The dishes in the north tend to use less chillies. I think, in India more vegetables are used, while in the Punjab, where I come from, we eat a lot more meat. There are many regional differences."

The basic flavors in the spice mix, says Aysha, are chilli powder, fresh ginger, garlic, and coriander seed powder. Onions are used in every dish, as is garlic. Cardamom is used in some dishes but is more common in desserts. Turmeric is also frequently used. "We always start a dish by frying the onions in oil," she explained. "The meat is added next and then the spices."

One of Aysha's favorite recipes is kurma, a

meat and almond curry that can be made with either lamb or beef. "It's something we use for very special, festive occasions," she said. "Weddings would be an example. It's a fairly substantial dish and so is more suitable for special times rather than everyday casual eating."

KURMA (meat and almond curry): Ingredients: 1 kilo meat cubes (lamb or beef), 1/2 cup corn oil, 3 medium onions, 1 teaspoon fresh mashed garlic, 2 tablespoons tomato paste, 1 teaspoon ginger powder, 1 teaspoon ground coriander seeds, 3-4 cardamom pods, salt and chilli powder to taste, 1 cup blanched almonds. METHOD: Heat oil and brown sliced onions. Put in meat cubes and fry until light brown. Add all the spices and tomato paste and cook for 5 to 7 minutes. Now put 3 to 4 cups of water and let it simmer for 20 to 30 minutes or until meat is tender. Add almonds and let simmer for another 5 minutes with the lid on. Best served with fried or boiled rice.

SPINACH CURRY: Ingredients: 1/2 kilo mutton, 2 tins spinach, 1 medium onion, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder, 1/2 teaspoon ginger, 1/2 teaspoon chilli, 1/2 teaspoon turmeric, 1/2 teaspoon coriander seed, 2 tablespoons yoghurt. METHOD: Fry onions in corn oil until brown. Add mutton cubes and cook for five minutes. Now add all the spices and cook adding a little water at intervals. Add spinach and 2 cups of water and let it simmer for 15 to 20 minutes. Now add yoghurt and mix well on low heat till the water has dried up.

KABAB CURRY: Ingredients (for kababs): 1/2 kilo veal, 3 medium onions, 1 slice bread, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon chilli powder (or less), 6 cloves garlic, 1/2 teaspoon ginger powder, 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander seed, 1/2 teaspoon caraway seeds, 2 teaspoons yoghurt. METHOD: Put all ingredients, except caraway seeds and yoghurt in mincer and mince thoroughly. Mix caraway seed and yoghurt with the minced meat and roll into oblong kababs. Place in pan with 1/2 cup water. Cook until water has evaporated. Now try kababs in corn oil until light brown.

INGREDIENTS (gravy): 1 large onion, 1/2 cup corn oil, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon chilli powder, 1/2 teaspoon turmeric, 1/2 teaspoon ginger, 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander seed, 5 teaspoons tomato paste. METHOD: Fry onions in corn oil and add all the above ingredients except tomato paste. Cook for five minutes stirring continuously. Add tomato paste and cook for another two minutes. Put kababs in this gravy and add 1 cup water. Cover pan and let simmer for 10 minutes. Garnish with coriander leaves.

SHARI TUKRI (bread pudding): Ingredients: 4 slices bread, 4 cups milk, 1 cup condensed milk, 4 cardamom pods, almonds, pistachios, grated coconut.

METHOD: Cut slices of bread into 16 squares and fry in oil until brown. Boil the milk with cardamoms and let simmer for 15 to 20 minutes until it thickens. Add condensed milk and let simmer for another 2 to 3 minutes. Arrange cut slices in a dish, pour milk and garnish with almonds, pistachios and grated coconut.

These claims amount to the following: Compensation for 1,956 Libyans who have died since 1940 after accidentally setting off mines; and another 1,777 who have been maimed; access to old war maps to locate the whereabouts of the remaining mines; and technical assistance and money to help remove them.

Based on available information — most of it from charts of oil companies — the Libyan government claims that 10,000 square kilometers of agricultural land is unusable because of the mines, and that they have hindered the exploitation of salt and gypsum and interrupted the building of roads and airports.

These claims, if they came to fruition, would be worth millions of pounds to Libya, and could, well set off a chain of similar demands from other countries that were formerly the theater of war, like the Pacific Islands, or Laos, where the plain of Jars is still littered by unexploded American bombs. Some feel it could even be picked up by former colonies — Libya was an Italian colony during the war — seeking redress against their former colonizers.

Libyan has a strong moral case for claiming compensation. As many as 12 million mines

were left over from the war in North Africa, and the effort of clearing them is clearly beyond Libya's resources. France removed 13 million mines, mainly from beaches, after 1945 using prisoners of war, sappers, and volunteers — but at the cost of 500 lives. (The Russians claim to have disposed of no less than 58 million.)

Any full-scale clearance of North Africa is complicated by the terrain, and the nature of the campaign, which veered from Tobruk to El Alamein. "Often, both sides used the other's mines" recalls Colonel Gerald Draper, who fought in North Africa and is now a professor of law at Sussex. He adds that the exact location of the mines was often not known. "Today, almost 40 years later, any records would probably be defective."

The Geneva Conventions of War were revised and updated in 1977 to extend protection to civilians. Under the conventions the Russians are condemned for sowing of millions of tiny anti-personnel mines in the passes of Afghanistan. Under the 1973 Paris Peace Agreement with Vietnam, the U.S. agreed to help in clearing unexploded shells and mines. But this was not an acknowledgement of liability, and (as the Vietnamese have complained) the agreement has never been implemented.

The closest parallel involves a current row between Britain and Malta. Last year the Maltese went before the council of Europe, accusing the British navy of turning the island of Filfla into a gigantic dump of unexploded shells, after years of using it for target practice. The case is still not decided, but Britain has argued that the uninhabited island was thoroughly surveyed in 1972, and that any attempt to clean it up could cause serious damage to the underwater environment.

Some Third World countries accept the legal loop hole, and fall back on the all-embracing U.N. charter of 1947 (which Britain signed) obliging all countries to promote cooperation and good neighborliness. This, they argue, extends to clearing war debris.

New drug for cardiac patients

By David Zeman

NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (N.Y.) — Doctors used an experimental cardiac drug that is infused directly into the coronary arteries to treat a 62-year-old man who suffered three heart attacks after learning that gunmen had wounded his son, New York City Police Officer Richard Rainey.

The new drug, streptokinase, which some researchers see as a promising innovation in the treatment of acute heart attack, dissolved a blood clot blocking one of the three coronary arteries of John Rainey. Coronary arteries are the tiny vessels surrounding the heart that furnish the organ with its own blood supply. About 80 per cent of heart attacks are caused by coronary artery blockage.

Officials of Long Island Hillside Medical Center, where the procedure was done, announced that it was the first use of streptokinase in the New York area.

However, Dr. Richard Gorlin, chief of medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Center in Manhattan, said his hospital had already treated several heart patients with the drug. Streptokinase is also being used experimentally at medical centers in Houston, Boston, Los Angeles and West Germany.

"This is the beginning of a new emphasis on prevention, instead of surgery and repair, to overcome the damage that destroys heart muscle during the initial stages of a heart attack," Dr. Robert L. Hamby, cardiologist chief at Long Island, said.

Despite his optimism, some doctors are concerned that the drug, an enzyme derived from the streptococcus bacteria, may be

rushed into general use before its value can be established by scientific criteria. Streptokinase has also been used to break up long clots.

The elder Rainey was taken to Long Island with chest pains after learning that his son was in the hospital with 10 bullet wounds. The younger Rainey was one of two officers shot by two gunmen in St. Albans, an area of Queens, N.Y. Center doctors said the elder Rainey's heart was beating wildly. He suffered three heart attacks while doctors administered oxygen and nitroglycerin in unsuccessful attempts to stabilize him.

In the cardiac catheterization laboratory, doctors discovered the blood clot in his heart through videotaped X-rays, and Hamby secured the family's permission to use streptokinase. Hamby said it was important to use the drug immediately because a patient has only four hours from the onset of a heart attack before irreversible damage occurs.

Using a thin tube called a catheter, which Hamby had threaded into the heart from an artery in the thigh, he infused streptokinase into the blocked coronary artery. Within an hour, the blockage began to break up and the pain to diminish. Rainey was afterward reported in relatively good condition.

Hamby said streptokinase will have a "major impact" on saving heart attack victims in this decade. Nevertheless, studies indicate that the drug may not have lasting effects in all patients. In a West German study, researchers reported that it dissolved clots in 30 of 41 patients. In some cases, patients experienced clotting again and needed bypass surgery.

Rare skin disorder afflicts boy

By Charles Chamberlain

CHICAGO, Illinois (AP) — Ricky's mother was kept from seeing him the day he was born. Permitted her first glimpse of the baby a day later, she was stunned to see that his arms and legs were tied to the sides of an incubator.

"There was no skin on the top of his hands or on his neck," Karen Tummillo recalled. "I couldn't pick him up by his sides and fondle him. I had to put my hands under him and sort of scoop him up."

The baby had a water blister on his nose, another on his chest. Any pressure, and another blister would form and his skin would tear away. He was tied to the incubator so he would not move and rub his skin off. "He looked like he had been burned," said Mrs. Tummillo, 30.

Doctors at the hospital in Niles, Michigan, did not know what was wrong. Ricky was taken to the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, where specialists diagnosed dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB), a rare skin disorder that afflicts only about 500 people in the United States.

They also told Mrs. Tummillo he might not live more than two weeks longer. That was 12 years ago. No one knows how much longer Ricky has. Ricky is in a sixth grade special education class along with 18 other children disabilities.

"I worry about what will happen to him. He has more guts than most kids. He's a fighter. He never gives up, and I'll never give up fighting for him," Mrs. Tummillo said. "I hope there never is another child born like

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MOHAN SINGH OBEROI, Chairman and founder of Oberoi Hotels was born in August 1900 in Bhaun, a small village which is now in Pakistan. The story of the head of one of Asia's largest hotel chains has been a dramatic one, full of initial difficulties which were overcome by spartan self discipline and perseverance.

He is President of Honour of the Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Association of India and a member of the Board of Directors of Indian Airlines. Mr. Oberoi has also been a member of both houses of the Indian Parliament for over a decade.

Mr. Oberoi lives on a farm near Delhi and continues to take a keen interest in the affairs of his Company. He still retains an old fashioned humility about himself. 'I have been able to accept the challenge and made good', He adds. 'There is comfort in knowing that whatever little I have achieved has also helped to raise the prestige of my country'.

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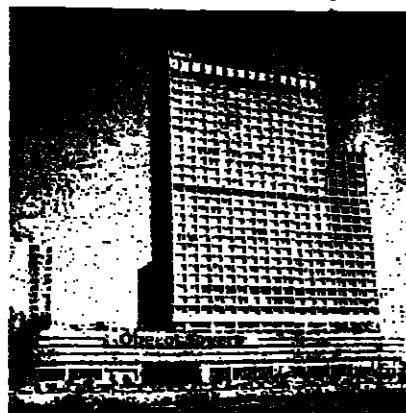
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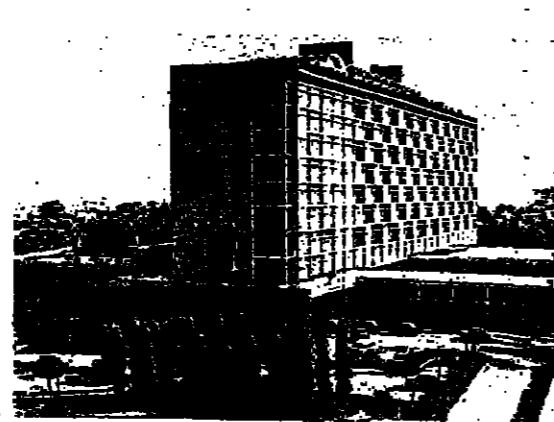
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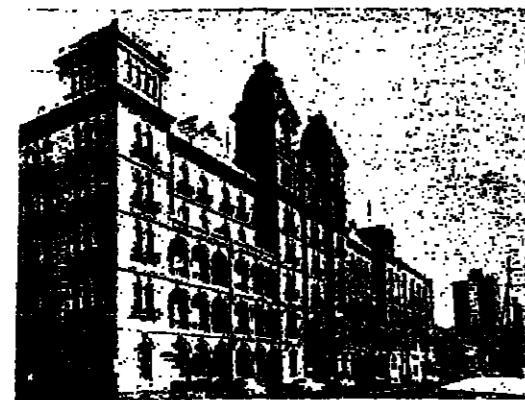
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SHIV MOHAN MEHRA
Mr. Shiv Mehra, the General Manager of Hotel Dammam Oberoi is no new hand in Saudi Arabia. He has been the General Manager of the Dammam Hotel for the last 4 years and has taken over the management of Hotel Dammam Oberoi as of the beginning of the year.



Mr. Shiv Mehra graduated from the college of Catering, Bombay, India in 1962. A Fellow of the Hotel Catering and Institutional Management Association of the U.K. Fellow of the Royal Society of Health. Fellow of the Food and Cookery Association, he has worked in various capacities in hotels all over the world. Mr. Mehra was associated with the opening of the Oberoi Hotels in Delhi, Bombay, Colombo, Aswan and Dammam.

A disciple of the motto—'The customer is always right', Mr. Mehra believes that the customer knows what he wants and he will come to you if you provide the service he requires at the price he can afford.

Mr. Mehra brings to the Hotel Dammam Oberoi, a wealth of experience and talent gained in 20 years of hotel management.

CIVIL WORKS COMPANY

The Civil Works Company, the proprietor of the Hotel Dammam Oberoi, is a partnership of some of the most successful businessmen in the Kingdom. The partners are Abdullah Fouad, Rashid Al Rashid, Ali Tamimi and Abdul Aziz and Omran Al Omran. Between them they have far ranging interests such as construction companies, pipelines, investment companies, hotels, hospitals, cement and steel supplies, supermarkets, banking and building material among others.

The Civil Works Company is primarily engaged in construction and has constructed among others the Hotel Dammam Oberoi and Dammam Hotel.

Among the future construction plans is an exhibition centre in Dammam next to the Hotel Dammam Oberoi.

SARDAR MOHAMMAD HAROON KHAN has been appointed as Director Sales and Marketing, Hotel Dammam Oberoi and Oberoi Hotels International and brings along with him 22 years of experience in the field of Sales and Marketing. He has served with Caltex Oil (Pakistan) Ltd and General Motors Corp/Ghondara Industries Ltd in Pakistan holding important executive positions.

He has gained valuable experience in the hotel industry by serving in the 'Intercontinental Hotels Corporation', initially as Sales Manager, Hotel Intercontinental, Karachi and later promoted to Area Sales Director for Central Asia, responsible for the marketing of all the Intercontinental Hotels in Central Asia, through their respective sales managers.

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THE 15 STOREY HOTEL DAMMAM OBEROI built at a cost of 170,000,000 Saudi Riyals, is a luxury hotel, consisting of 308 rooms including 3 Royal Suites, 18 Executive Suites and 19 Junior Suites. This hotel has been designed especially for businessmen and has computerised reservations and accounting facilities. There is also a special businessman centre at the hotel where secretarial services in two languages plus photocopying and telex services are provided. The latest in telephone systems has been installed which features direct dialing around the world.

The hotel has 3 restaurants: a Grill room, a Coffee Shop and a Chinese Restaurant. A conference cum banqueting facility for 600 persons plus a separate minor conference facility on the roof top for 75 persons has been provided. The hotel has a large swimming pool and an additional kiddy pool set in a tropical landscape. A health club with gymnasium, tennis courts and a shopping arcade which includes a travel counter are among the other services which are available. Parking has been provided for 160 cars, of which 50% will be covered.



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Elegance, comfort, service, information and recreation, these were the guidelines for the planning of the Hotel Dammam Oberoi.

In 1977, Oberoi Hotels along with Messrs Khatib & Alami, the Architects and Dale Keller Associates, the Interior Designers, made a detailed research and study into the needs of the business traveller coming to Saudi Arabia. Every aspect of the needs of the traveller and how they could be met were studied.

A comfortable and elegant hotel in an inhospitable climate was a must. 13 hrs out of New York into a dusty humid climate is a climatic shock which few people can take in their stride. An elegant and comfortable hotel helps to mitigate the shock.

Service, one of the most elusive commodities in modern times, requires planning. The best interviewed staff are helpless unless a hotel is designed for efficient service. Much thought and planning went into designing of this hotel for fast and efficient service.

To the business traveller reliable information at his fingertips is an invaluable asset. To achieve this, we have established a businessman's centre which has computer indexed information relevant to the business traveller, so that relevant information is available in the shortest possible time. The businessman's centre also offers secretarial service, translation facilities, photocopying (with enlargement and reduction facilities), telex facilities and the guest can also set an office for the duration of his stay if he so desires. All this in one compact and central place.

Recreation is a must in a country where diversions are few. To this end we have planned a health club with gymnasium, sauna and massage, tennis courts, swimming pool and an indoor games complex which includes billiards and table tennis.

The construction of the 15 floors luxury hotel started on 1st May 1978 and was completed at a cost of SR 170,000,000 at the beginning of this year, and was carried out by a joint venture of Civil Works Co. and Korea Development Corporation. The civil and mechanical workmanship are comparable with any first class building anywhere in the world. Due credit is given to the contractors for maintaining the highest standards while being on schedule.

The hotel features three excellent restaurants and an extensive banqueting and conference facility. The Al Ghazal restaurant is the grill room where prime American beef, fresh native lamb, milk fed Kansas veal and fresh lobsters from the Red Sea along with tempting Lebanese Messa are at the command of the gourmet. A visit to the Al Ghazal is an experience not lightly forgotten.

Le Chinois is the roof top Chinese restaurant serving authentic Cantonese food with a panoramic view of Dammam Port and the Arabian Gulf; this restaurant is a must for Chinese food fans. A brigade of Chinese cooks from Singapore toss up such delicacies as to delight the palate.

The Al Bustan Coffee Shop, a 24-hour cafe for quick meals, refreshments or snacks, a buffet set up with the complement of hot and cold delicacies, is ideal for the busy businessman.



Sheikh Abdulla Fouad addressing the distinguished visitors at the opening of Hotel Dammam Oberoi.



Mr. Rashed Al Rashed with Deputy Governor of the Eastern Region Sheikh Turki Al Otaishan



Deputy Governor of the Eastern Region Sheikh Turki Al Otaishan along with distinguished guests.



Some of the distinguished visitors, in the forefront Mr. P.R.S. Oberoi, Deputy Chairman of Oberoi Hotels and Mr. G.K. Khanna, Director of Oberoi Hotels.



Left to right Mr. Akram Arafah Wholesale Manager, Tamimi & Fouad Food Company, Sheikh Abdulla Fouad, Partner, Civil Works Company, Mr. Shiv Mehra, General Manager, Hotel Dammam Oberoi, Mr. V. Shankar Mani, Project Manager, Hotel Dammam Oberoi, Mr. Madan Misra, Vice President, Saudi Oberoi Co. Ltd., Sardar M. Haroon Khan, Director of Sales & Marketing - Hotel Dammam Oberoi & Oberoi Hotels International



Left to right Sheikh Ali Tamimi, Partner, Civil Works Company, Mr. P.R.S. Oberoi, Deputy Chairman, Oberoi Hotels and Mr. Abdulla Al Rashed.



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Some of the distinguished visitors in the grand ballroom

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OAPEC to run Dubai's idle dock

DUBAI, May 12 (AP) — The world's largest drydock here is to be handed over to the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), government sources have reported.

The dock can take tankers of up to one million deadweight. Built at a cost of \$550 million by two British firms, Costain and Taylor Woodrow, the dock has lain empty ever since it was finished two years ago. Most of the ship repair yard companies in the world felt it would never make any money.

However, during those two years negotiations have been dragging on with the Bristol-based firm C.H. Bailey. Disagreements were reported to have arisen over who was to pay for the capital investment required to get the dock working and who was to foot the dock's substantial annual maintenance bill.

At last week's OAPEC conference in Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates' Oil

Minister Mana Sa'id Al-Oteiba suggested that a joint management formula could be arranged with the existing OAPEC dock in Bahrain.

The Bahrain dock, known as Asry, was built by South Koreans and is operated by the Portuguese firm Isnave. Capable of handling ships of up to 450,000 tons, the facility has consistently lost money for its owners, OAPEC member countries, who have tended to view it as a strategic necessity rather than a profit-making exercise.

OAPEC members are Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the UAE, Qatar, Bahrain, Libya, Algeria, Syria and Iraq. Despite the losses, the Asry is continually full and is in fact turning away customers, officials said Monday. Thus the Dubai dock with its three berths and massive capacity would be a considerable boost to Arab ship repair facilities.

It is still not clear whether the British com-

pany of Bailey is now totally out of the picture, for negotiations with the Dubai ruler Sheikh Rasheed were reported to be nearing conclusion.

With the OAPEC option, operating losses would not be a problem, for OAPEC has long subsidized Bahrain's Asry.

A UAE federal government spokesman in Abu Dhabi, the capital, said that the UAE was anxious that the two docks operate in a complementary rather than competitive way. "We want them to behave as one dock, perhaps under a joint board of directors," said the spokesman. Such a formula, he said, would not mean a complete ownership takeover by OAPEC.

OAPEC is now to set up a two-man committee to study the possibilities on joint management. Sources said the proposed committee will be headed on the UAE side by Al-Oteiba, and on the Bahrain side by Industry and Development Minister Youssef Shirawi.

months later on April 24. Russia was allowed to buy eight million metric tons of wheat and corn — as provided by a 1975 agreement, however. The agreement runs out this Sept. 30 and no official move has been made to renew it.

The analysts estimated these companies were now buying only about 200,000 barrels per day. The cut in production announced by Sheikh Khalifa effectively took care of present level of demand from customers, they said.

Kuwait oil sources said the country's oil output fell to an average of 1.7 million barrels a day last year from two million barrels in 1979. Total oil production was 607.3 million barrels a day in 1980 against 911.2 million in 1979.

Kuwaiti production of liquified natural gas fell last year to 35.7 million barrels from 46.4 million in 1979, reflecting the reduction in crude oil output, the sources said.

Meanwhile, the World Bank announced Monday four Turkish fertilizer plants will get a loan of \$110 million to help them save fuel and use more of their capacity. The entire project will cost \$236.6 million.

Interest payments at 9.6 per cent will start in four years, and the loan is to be completely repaid in the following 13 years.

Global jute talks open in Geneva

GENEVA, May 12 (AP) — Fifty jute importing and exporting state resumed their talks here for an agreement to promote trade in the commodity through market research improved production and other measures.

The envisaged agreement would not contain any economic provisions designed to stabilize the world jute market and prices and would be linked to the so-called second account of the still distant common fund for commodities.

Unlike the future fund's first account that would be reserved to financing commodity buffer stocks for the purpose of stabilizing world market prices, the second account

would serve for the kind of trade promotion envisaged in the future jute agreement.

But already in the first round of jute talks here last January, producers and importers remained at odds on defining the scope of projects eligible for second account money.

French car firm seeks to boost sales in U.S.

NEW YORK, May 12 (AP) — Renault Vehicles Industriel's (RVI) of France is attempting to win an appreciable share of the truck market in North America, the biggest in the world.

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In just 54 seconds

Cooney pins Norton to canvas

NEW YORK, May 12 (AP) — Gerry Cooney's Madison Square Garden fight against Ken Norton Monday night lasted only 54 seconds, but that was long enough to scare Cooney.

The unbeaten Cooney smashed Norton senseless with a savage head barrage and said, "I was hitting him and I got a little frightened because he was unconscious on the ropes."

"I kind of knew he was out," said the power-punching Long Island Irishman. "It came across to me that I might hurt him seriously."

Cooney unleashed six hard shots to the head as he had Norton trapped in Norton's corner. The veteran fighter's eyes rolled back into his head and he slumped to the canvas. Referee Tony Perez didn't even start to count.

Cooney leaped into the air in celebration while Norton's handlers and a doctor scrambled into the ring to aid the fallen fighter. Norton left the ring under his own power.

"I guess I was unconscious," said Norton. Then he added: "I'm not sure that I'm through." But the man who once held the World Boxing Council heavyweight title and twice fought for the universal crown certainly is through as a major factor in the heavyweight division. While Norton ponders his fighting future, Cooney looks toward a title.

"All it means is that I'm one step closer to my goal the heavyweight championship," said Cooney. "I don't brag. As long as I follow Victor's (trainer Victor Valje) instructions, I'll be 'Okay.' Whatever Vale told Cooney Monday night certainly worked. And it almost assuredly made his next fight a title bout."

Co-manager Dennis Rappaport said

Cooney will next challenge World Boxing Association champion Mike Weaver. That fight reportedly already is signed, but could run into legal problems involving prompted Bob Arum, who claims to have ties to Weaver.

Don King, Arum's major promotional rival, was at ringside and immediately called for Cooney to fight WBC champion Larry Holmes. King said he would offer Cooney a \$1.5-million guarantee for that fight and that he could make even more on a percentage basis through closed-circuit television.

Cooney came out punching and quickly had Norton in trouble. "It started when I hit him with a right hand and then I caught him in the body. I heard him gasp, then he came inside," said Cooney.

Norton was shaken by the right hand to the head and left to the body. He fought back briefly, then was trapped in the corner. He blocked several shots, but the six lefts and rights slammed home and it was over.

Cooney's big victory and Norton's bitter defeat came exactly four years to the night that Norton had knocked out then highly regarded Duane Bobk 58 seconds into a scheduled 10-round at the Garden.

It was the second one-round knockout loss for Norton in his last four fights. After losing the WBC title to Larry Holmes in 1978, Norton was kayoed in the first round by Earnie Shavers March 23, 1979, then was held to a 10-round draw by Scott Ledoux on Aug. 19 of that year. He then announced his retirement.

But Norton did not like the way his career ended. And last Nov. 7, at the age of 35 — many boxing people think he's older — Norton came back and won a split 10-round decision over previously unbeaten Randy Cobb. That set up an \$850,000 payday against

Cooney. He never made quicker or harder money.

A estimated crowd of 11,000, paying a top ticket price of \$200, showed up on a rainy night to see if Norton could handle the power-punching Cooney. It didn't take them long to find out.

Cooney, who weighed 225½ (102 kg), came in to the ring looking cool. He left it without breaking a sweat with his 25th victory and 21st knockout. And an easy million-dollar payday. It was his second consecutive first-round k.o., having stopped Ron Lyle in the opening round last Oct. 25.

For Norton, it was his seventh loss against 42 victories and a draw. Norton, who has made two motion pictures, got the idea of coming back one day at acting class. It should be back to acting now for the man who many people think beat Muhammad Ali for the title in 1976 although Ali won unanimous but close and controversial decision.

The fight originally was supposed to be part of a major Feb. 23 promotion called "this is it." But that fell apart when co-promoter Harold Smith, later disclosed to be Ross Fields, was charged with a suit filed by the Wells Fargo National Bank.

That card was also supposed to have three world title bouts. But what the fans got three months later was 54 seconds of one-sided savagery.

Meanwhile, Heavyweight Marvin Frazier, son of a world champion boxer, won his fourth consecutive fight as a professional in New York Monday night when he stopped Steve Zouski in the final round of a six-round match at Madison Square Garden.

The bout was even after four rounds, but Frazier rallied late in the fifth and had Zouski Groggy in the final seconds.

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Violence flares in Ireland

Another IRA man set to die in Maze

BELFAST, May 12 (Agencies) — Jailed guerrilla Francis Hughes Tuesday seemed set to become the second Irish Republican Army hunger striker to die in British-ruled Northern Ireland this month. Hughes is near death on the 59th day of his hunger strike.

A British government spokesman said a room had been set aside for his family at the Maze prison hospital outside Belfast and that the family was being allowed unlimited access to the dying man. Similar facilities were granted to the family of Bobby Sands a few days before he died after a 66-day fast May 5.

Hughes' family Monday told supporters of the hunger strike, which is part of a campaign for jailed Republicans to be treated as prisoners of war, that he was slipping in and out of a coma and was blind and unable to move. Three persons died in violence which flared in Republican areas of the province after Sands' death.

Hughes, 25, serving life imprisonment for shooting a British soldier dead in 1978, is said by his supporters to be as determined to die as Sands was if the demands for political prisoner status were not met. The government has said it would never grant political status.

Hughes' supporters say he is unlikely to live as long as Sands because of the weakening effect of a serious leg wound he suffered when captured in 1978. Two other prisoners in the Maze, Patsy O'Hara and Raymond McCreech, are in the 51st day of the hunger strike. Another prisoner, Joseph McDonnell, started a fast last Saturday to replace Sands.

One of the persons killed after Sands'

death, 14-year-old Desmond Guiney, was buried in north Belfast. He died from injuries suffered when his father's milk cart was hijacked by stone-throwing rioters in mainly Catholic west Belfast the morning after Sands died. Hundreds of Desmond's schoolmates and thousands of other mourners attended the emotional funeral in mainly Protestant stronghold.

Meanwhile, violence flared in Belfast and Londonderry as the condition of Hughes deteriorated sharply.

The Belfast brigade of the Irish Republican Army, militant "provisional" wing claimed responsibility for a sniper attack Monday on British troops escorting a post office cash shipment in west Belfast's Ballymurphy district. One soldier was seriously wounded and another slightly injured, police said.

In Londonderry, dozens of Molotov cocktails were hurled at security forces during the night and police said they returned fire after coming under sniper attack in the Roman Catholic Creggan district.

In Belfast, where police and army patrols were attacked with more than 1,500 Molotov cocktails last week, security forces found a storage hut in Ballymurphy containing 12 crates or bottles, a gallon of hydrochloric acid, gasoline, funnels and cloth twisted into wicks — all reportedly for making acid and gasoline-filled bombs.

The Belfast IRA brigade called on residents of Catholic areas to keep children away from army vehicles.

Senate panel restricts military aid to Salvador

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP) — Rejecting a last-minute appeal from Secretary of State Alexander Haig, the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee has overwhelmingly approved restrictions on U.S. military aid to El Salvador.

The committee voted 81-1 to cut off military help and withdraw U.S. advisers from El Salvador unless President Ronald Reagan certifies in writing that country's government can control its armed forces, observe basic human rights and is making progress on political reforms. Similar conditions were approved by the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee two weeks ago.

But in response to a separate appeal from Haig, the committee softened an amendment that would have prohibited U.S. military aid to Argentina until government moves to account for more than 5,000 persons listed as "disappeared."

The committee approved with a different 11-1 lineup a nonbinding requirement that Reagan consider Argentina's accounting of the "disappeared" people before renewing U.S. aid. Haig wrote the committee that U.S. aid to Argentina supports America's own strategic interests, and he said Argentina's human rights record has improved.

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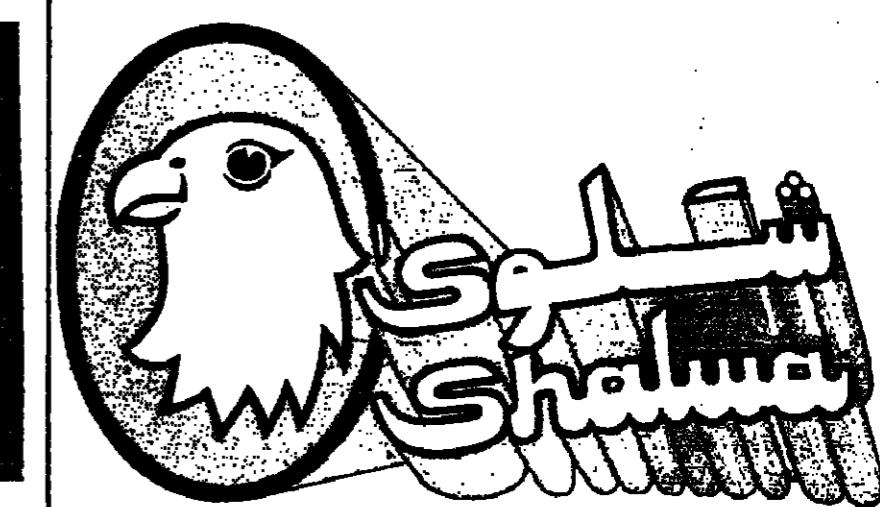
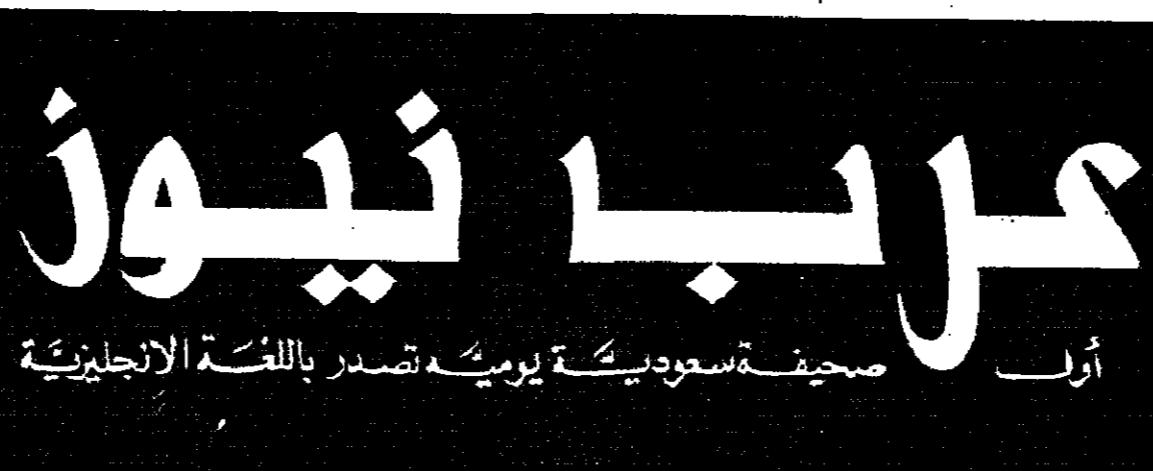
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Briton given extra heart

LONDON, May 12 (R) — Surgeons have given a patient a new heart without removing the diseased one in the first operation of its kind to be carried out in Britain. The operation was performed on a 51-year-old man, Peter Scott, at a hospital near London, a hospital spokesman said Tuesday.

He said Scott, a married man with three daughters, was given the heart of a teenage girl who died in a road accident. His condition was reported as stable. Egyptian-born Magdi Yacoub, consultant cardiac surgeon at the hospital, said the four-hour operation, carried out Sunday night, had been a complete success.

In the operation, known as a "piggyback," the new heart was sewn into the patient's chest next to the diseased one and is linked to it to absorb most of the strain. The technique was pioneered by Christian Barnard in South Africa.

Free Democrats hold key in Berlin

WEST BERLIN, May 12 (R) — West Berlin's chance of a stable government appeared Tuesday to hinge on the outcome of an internal battle in the small Free Democratic Party (FDP). Until city elections Sunday, West Berlin was ruled for 18 years by an alliance of the liberal FDP and the Social Democratic Party (SDP), an identical coalition to the one governing West Germany.

The voting brought a strong swing to the opposition Christian Democrat Union (CDU) but left it two seats short of an overall majority in the new city assembly. West Germany political commentators said an

attempt by the CDU to form a minority government would end in failure within months and force new elections. CDU leaders have called on both the FDP and SDP to consider an alliance, but the SDP refused.

The commentators said an alliance between the FDP and CDU in West Berlin could cause serious strains for the federal SDP-FDP coalition. Signs of a serious internal split in the West Berlin FDP over a possible switch of allegiance emerged Monday when leading FDP officials gave contradictory views on the issue.

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that if it attacked Syria, it would face not only the Arab countries but also the Soviet Union. *Al-Baath*, newspaper of President Hafez Assad's ruling Baath Socialist Party, said: "Begin must think twice before he goes too far in his foolishness and threats to strike against Syria."

It said that if Israel attacked Syria, it would face not just the Arab countries, but also "the strategic wall of Syrian-Soviet friendship and cooperation."

In Washington, American sources said Tuesday that there is growing concern in official U.S. circles that Israel's impending attack on Syrian missile batteries in Lebanon is calculated to bring the U.S. into direct confrontation with the Soviet Union.

Moscow, which signed a defense pact with Damascus last year, has made it clear to the

Court decision hailed Polish farmers get status

WARSAW, May 12 (Agencies) — Rural Solidarity, the independent union of private farmers and offshoot of Workers' Solidarity, won legal status Tuesday in a Warsaw district court. The decision to register the "self-governing, independent union of private farmers' Solidarity" prompted a roar of approval from some 4,000 persons listening to the proceedings outside the court.

"This is perhaps the end of one stage in the road, and the start of another, much harder stage," union leader Jan Kulaj had said just prior to the final decision. The crowd of farmers and onlookers burst into loud applause when Kulaj emerged from the grey stone court building to lead a procession to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier for a wreath placing ceremony.

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The supreme court had rejected the farmers' charter in February on the ground that farmers were self-employed and could form unions. But the farmers reorganized, produced a new charter and won the promise of registration during the Bydgoszcz sit-in.

Meanwhile, the Soviet newspaper *Pravda* has accused the Polish dissident group KOR of doing everything to destroy the economy and undermine the Polish government, according to Moscow Radio. The radio's world service, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation, quoted *Pravda* as saying KOR had gained the upper hand in Poland's Solidarity.

The report said KOR was still threatening to start strikes to pressure governing bodies while Solidarity's recently published program was aimed at seizing power and changing the socialist system. Such activities by Poland's enemies were rebuffed by the Polish Communist Party and the working class which were determined to foil the intrigues of hostile forces, *Pravda* said.

Police said KOR had received several anonymous telephone calls after it suspected terrorists were responsible for the killing. But West German authorities said while there appeared no doubt about a political motive for the murder of Karry, a controversial figure whose policies made enemies among left-wingers and environmentalists, they could not be sure whether the attack came from the left or the right.

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